(d) Under the provisions of the Drug Policy, all approvals for manufacture of bulk drugs in the organised sector, including for multinational companies, are being given only from the prescribed basic stages.

(e) Names of the drugs for which industrial approvals have been given in the last three years is given at statement. (See below) However, details of commencement of production are not available.

(f) No special study on multinationals in the drugs sector has been carried out. The general policy of the Government is to encourage foreign investment in the country. A Background Note on Review of Drug Policy has been placed on the Table of the House, which deals with some of these issues.

STATEMENT

Name of the company	Name of Bulk Drug/Drug Intermediate
1990	
1. M/s. Reckitt & Colman	3, 5-Di-Benzyloxy Acetophenone
2. M/s. Pfizer Ltd.	Chloropropamide Tinidazole
3. M/s. Hoechst India	Glybenclamide Subs.
4. M/s. Eskayef	Cloxicillin Monohydrate
1991	
1. M/s. Hoechst India	Baralgan Ketone
2. M/s. Cibatul Ltd.	Diclofenac Sodium Acenolol Frusamide Trimelnoprim
3. M/s. Duphar Interfran	Isoxcuprine Hydrochloride
1992	
1. M/s. Reckitt & Colman	Para-Chloro-Meta Xylenol
2. M/s. Glaxo	Ranitidine
3. M/s. Roussel India	Roxythromycin
4. M/s. Hoechst India	Fenbendazole

Liability of Drug Companies as arrear of Land Revenue

397. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI :

SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details of the cases of the drug companies which have been asked to discharge their liability of arrears of land revenue;

(b) when the orders were issued in each case;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government have withdrawn such decision in respect of certain cases;

(d) whether it is also fact that the Development Commissioner (PI) has been siding with the companies in the matter of recovery and has failed to finalise and clinch any case during the last two years ; and

(e) what are the details of recovery and fresh assessment during the last two years ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) to (c) and (e) The recovery notices to Collector, Bombay were issued against M|s. Sandoz and M|s. Pfizer to recover the amount of liability as arrears of Land Revenue on 19-10-92 and 16-2-93 respectively. These companies filed SLP in the Supreme Court against the earlier interim orders of the Bombay High Court with the direction to deposit 50 per cent of the impugned amount with the Bombay High Court and to provide a bond to the Bombay High Court for the balance amount. In case of M|s. Pfizer, Supreme Court gave a decision on 22-3-93 to deposit 50 per cent of the impugned amount by or before 15th May, 1993 with the Government. Since Supreme Court has allowed time upto 15th May, 1993 it has been proposed not to take any action upto 15th May, 1993. During the last two years, an amount of Rs. 177.53 lakhs has been deposited by 3 companies viz., M|s. Pfizer, M|s. Abbott and M|s. Sandoz, out of which Rs. 37.34 lakhs has been deposited by M|s. Sandoz in the Bombay High Court.

(d) No, Sir.

Imported Bulk Drugs

398. SHRI ANANTRAM JAISWAL : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question No. 1223 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 4th March, 1993 and state :

(a) What are the names of the imported bulk drugs which accounted for landed cost of Rs. 50 lakhs or more during 1991-92 and 1992-93;

(b) the number of such imported bulk drugs which are under price control and the number of them which have been kept outside the price control;

(c) what are the names of major importers of such bulk drugs and what are the main reasons for keeping them outside price control ;

(d) whether it is a fact that the decontrol on the prices of such bulk drugs and their formulations have given rise to increase in imports and their monopolisation resulting in more foreign exchange depletion; and

(e) what was the price of each formulation before announcement of present price control order and what is the existing price of each of them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) and (b) Information will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.

(c) and (d) Imports by individual companies are not being monitored. Inclusion|exclusion of bulk drugs under price control was done on the basis of the recommendations of the Kelkar Committee.

(e) There was thousands of formulations. The time and labour involved in collecting this information shall not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.

Non-Furnishing of Information in Form-6 of DPCO, 1987

399. SHRI ANANTRAM JAISWAL :
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :
SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that in Form 6 of DPCO, 1987 all the manufacturers are required to give details of sale|consumption and their value of imported and indigenous bulk drugs;

(b) whether it is also a fact that in all the returns received in Form 6 none of the companies have provided these details and still the Form 6 has been accepted by Government;